





## Mails.

## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

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## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES

| FOR                                                                | STEAMERS                          | TO SAIL                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| YOKOHAMA and KOBE                                                  | "PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. Lenz   | About SATURDAY, 3rd April.  |
| KUDAT and SANDAKAN                                                 | "BORNEO" Capt. F. Sembill         | SATURDAY, 3rd April, 9 A.M. |
| NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and BREMEN | "PRINZ LUDWIG" Capt. F. v. Blosse | WEDNESDAY, 7th April, Noon. |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE                                           | "BULOW" Capt. H. Formes           | About WEDNESDAY, 7th April. |
| MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE             | "PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. Lenz   | FRIDAY, 23rd April, 10 A.M. |

For further Particulars, apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS &amp; CO.,

GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG &amp; CHINA.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1909.

## MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO and FROM EUROPE via SUEZ CANAL.  
TO and FROM JAPAN via SHANGHAI.

| FOR                      | STEAMERS      | CAPTAINS   | TO SAIL ON            |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------|-----------------------|
| SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA | TOKIN         | Charbonnel | 12th April, P.M.      |
| MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS    | CALEDONNIEN   | Bruno      | 13th April, at 1 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA | OCEANIE       | Magnien    | 26th April, P.M.      |
| MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS    | ERNEST SIMONS | Girard     | 27th April, at 1 P.M. |

Transshipment on the Co's Steamers at Singapore for Batavia, at Colombo for Calcutta, Bombay and Australia; at Port Said for the Levant, Constantinople and Black Sea.

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AGENT,

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1909.

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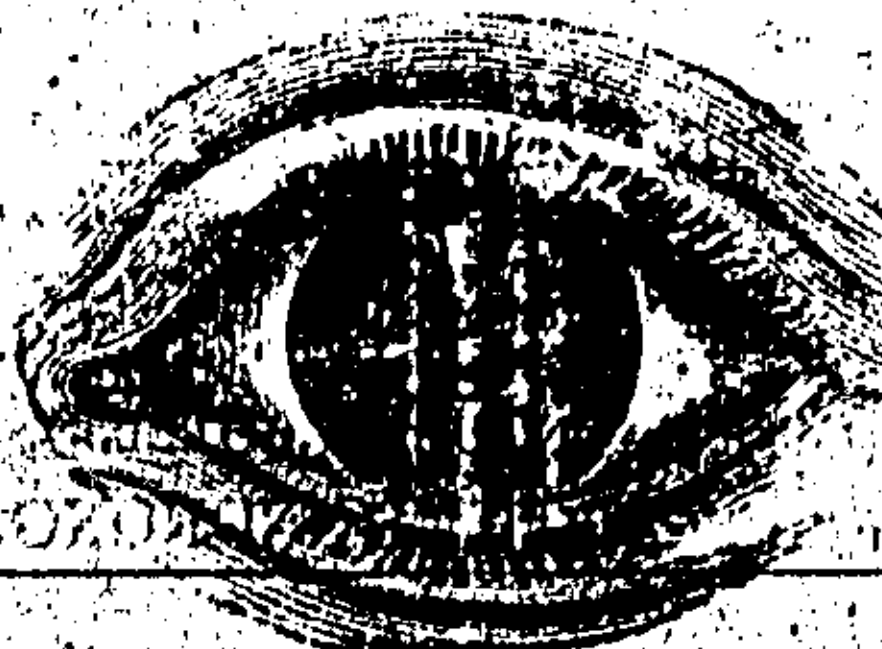
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BARRETTO &amp; CO., Hongkong.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1908.

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Hongkong, 9th March, 1909.

## Intimations.

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REASONABLE PRICES.

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| 3,000 " 7.00        | 3,000 " 3.50        |
| 2,000 " 5.00        | 2,000 " 2.50        |
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Also Stamps in Packets and Sets, and other  
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LIMITED.

## TIME TABLE

## WEEK DAYS.

|            |            |                  |
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| 7.00 a.m.  | 9.30 a.m.  | Every 10 minutes |
| 7.30 a.m.  | 11.00 a.m. | Every 15 minutes |
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## Intimations.

# Powell's

are now showing  
special cretonne and  
curtain designs for  
the spring season

## CURTAIN

Madras Muslins in white  
or Eoru with plain,  
Frisled or Fancy  
Bordered Edges  
from 80 cts.  
per yard

## AND

Plain and Figured  
Harness and Book  
Muslins in White  
and Eoru

Brise-Bise  
Blinds and Screens

## CRETONNE

Very special Plain Book  
Muslin Curtains,  
Frisled, 3 sides, in  
White only 4  
yards long  
\$5.75 per pr.  
4 yards long  
\$7.50 per  
pair

## SHOW

New patterns in Lace  
Curtains from \$5.00  
per pair 4 yards long

## SEE

Latest white ground  
and floral designs in  
washing Cretonne  
for loose covers  
and curtains

## WINDOWS

## POWELL'S

ALEXANDRA  
BUILDINGS

28, Queen's Road.

## Intimations.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT  
7% SILVER LOAN OF 1886, E.

### 45TH HALF-YEARLY DRAWING.

INTEREST DUE AND DRAWN BONDS of  
this LOAN will be PAYABLE at the  
Offices of the CORPORATION on and after the  
31st March, 1909.

LIST OF DRAWN BONDS can be obtained  
on application to the Undersigned.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION,  
Agents issuing the Loan,

J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1909. [309]

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LD.

WE are Specializing in a Line of  
BACON and HAM.

EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY.

Only 60 cents a lb.

CUT OR UNCUT.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1909. [391]

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LD.

### BUTTER.

"BUTTERCUP" Brand ... 73 cents per lb.

"DAIRYMAID" ... 75 " "

"DAISY" ... 80 " "

ALSO

FINE PASTRY BUTTER ... 60 " "

BEST COOKING BUTTER ... 40 " "

On and after 1st April, we will  
make no extra charge for cash  
purchases in small money.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1909. [397]

THE

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND  
MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP ... \$1,250,000)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System.

(Rates and Particulars on application).

THE OFFICE OF  
TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS,  
ATTORNEY, &c.,

Undertaken and Executed  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1909. [398]

### To Let.

#### TO LET.

OFFICES and ROOMS on the 1st and 2nd  
Floors of No. 14, Des Voeux Road  
Central (formerly occupied by Messrs. Shewan,  
Tomes & Co.). Rents low.

Apply to—

THE COMPTON DEPARTMENT,  
E. D. Sassoon & Co.,  
Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1909. [388]

#### TO LET.

SHOP and DWELLING-HOUSE, No. 78,  
Queen's Road Central.

Apply to—

S. J. DAVID & Co.,  
Prince's Buildings.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1909. [392]

#### TO LET.

NO. 3 CLIFTON GARDENS, CONDUIT  
ROAD.

A HOUSE in WONG-NEI-CHONG ROAD.

A HOUSE in RIFON TERRACE.

OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.

GODOWNS in PRAY, EAST, BLUE  
BUILDING, and No. 158, DES VOEUX  
ROAD next to the Hongkong Hotel.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [395]

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Apply to—

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Hongkong, 9th March, 1909. [398]

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TWO AIRY ROOMS in a house on  
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C/o Hongkong Telegraph.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1909. [399]

## SILVER EXCHANGE.

(Written for the *Coast Banker* by Noel G.  
Evans, Secretary of the International Banking  
Corporation of San Francisco.)

By the "rate of exchange" as regards China,  
one implies the price between silver and gold.  
This commodity, silver—for it is nothing else  
—is subject to the laws of supply and demand,  
and to judge by the persistent decline in price  
during the past year, it is evident that the  
demand has not been equal to the supply.  
This is accounted for by many influences,  
the chief one of which seems to be the general  
depression in trade operations which has been  
felt all over the world, resulting in a decreased  
power of absorbing silver for commercial pur-  
poses. In aggravation of these bad features  
restricting the demand, the world's supply has  
been increasing automatically through the  
growing number of mines which are able to re-  
gard the metal as by-product to the more val-  
uable output of gold, copper, or lead from the  
ore in which it is contained. Even some of the  
mines producing mainly silver can by economy  
meet expenses at the low price reached lately,  
so that the prospect of reducing the supply is  
not so probable as that the general recupera-  
tion of the world's commercial and financial  
state of health will bring about the necessary  
demand to meet the supply.

In China everything is paid for in silver,  
and the lower the value of silver is the more  
the Chinaman has to pay for his imports of  
cloth, flour, oil, &c., and unless he is able to  
increase his means by good business backed  
up by local prosperity and absence of famine,  
floods, and disturbances, he can not afford to  
buy so much as he used to. Ours is a factor  
which is beginning to have its beneficial effect  
in the opening up of the interior of this im-  
mense country by railways which will not only  
make an outlet for exports of great value in the  
way of minerals and manufactures, but will  
enable American products to find a larger and  
quicker market than heretofore, so that from  
this point the prospects are eminently favour-  
able. This will mean a large increase of busi-  
ness for the Pacific Coast, though later on  
large quantities will doubtless pass through the  
Panama Canal.

The actual question of "exchange" does not  
trouble the business man on this side so much  
as on the other, as in the case of exports the  
merchant usually draws his bill for the amount  
of gold dollars, he requires and obtains the  
amount from the bank which takes the bill and  
shipping documents and collects at the other  
end the equivalent from the consignee, who has  
previously already made a contract for a certain  
rate of exchange when he sent the order to this  
country. Also in case of imports from the  
Orient the rate of exchange is generally arranged  
on the other side, and the importer here is  
drawn on for so many gold dollars, or, he has  
previously furnished a bank credit in sterling,  
when the draft matures. In the latter case the  
fluctuation in exchange is not very great, so  
there is not any serious risk to be faced as there  
is between silver and gold.

We may remark here that the bulk of the  
import business from the Orient is financed by  
sterling letters of credit instead of by draft in  
gold dollars, and the reason for this is that  
drafts under sterling credits find a ready  
market owing to their convertibility after accept-  
ance in London, which enables the bank there  
to convert them into cash by discounting  
them and thus avoid a lock-up of funds for  
the usual four months they have to run.  
There is no such facility at present  
available in this country, even in New York,  
for which various causes are responsible, the  
chief one being the instability of the rate for  
cash money and short loans, which makes it  
impossible to rely on suitable rates for any  
extended period—whereas the European rates  
of discount only fluctuate within small limits or  
in case of serious upheavals like a year  
ago. This perhaps is a condition which  
may be remedied in time, when American  
trade may ultimately be financed profitably  
without having to employ a middleman in Lon-  
don who does not work for nothing. Perhaps the  
idea of having a central bank for America may  
be realized when discounts of Oriental com-  
mercial bills will be found possible.

Looking back during the past year one can  
realize how the continuous fluctuations must  
have militated against a Chinese merchant being  
able to conduct his business with any certainty  
of profit. The silver market has been greatly  
disturbed by immense speculative operations  
conducted during the last six months by the  
Indian Specie Bank in Bombay, this being a  
native concern apparently able to handle com-  
mitments in the metal amounting at times to  
a value of over \$10,000,000. A remarkable  
feature in connection with the Indian market  
has been the constant demand for the up-  
country districts, which has averaged from  
\$50,000 to \$75,000 daily during this year.  
The continuance of this demand beyond  
the usual seasonal requirements can only  
be attributed to the state of political un-  
rest into which that unfortunate country  
has worked itself. The absorption of all the  
silver by the natives for hoarding purposes has  
offset to a great extent the absence of the usual  
requirements of India for coinage, and as a  
matter of fact the purchases in London for In-  
dian account have been for a long time the  
only support for this discredited metal. Late-  
ly the American Government have resumed  
purchases to replenish stocks of subsidiary  
coins, and both the German and French Gov-  
ernments have a programme for increasing  
their silver coinage which will absorb a con-  
siderable amount during the next few years.

### GOLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,  
LD., have now 40,000 cubic feet of  
COLD STORAGE available at KAI YOW.  
Stores will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.  
daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver  
perishable goods.

G. K. HAXTON,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1909. [399]

## Intimations.

YOU WILL NOT  
be deceived. That there are cheats and frauds  
in plenty everybody knows; but it is seldom  
or never that any large business house is guilty  
of them, no matter what line of trade it follows.  
There can be no permanent success of any  
kind based on dishonesty or deception. There  
never was, and never will be. The men who  
try that are simply fools and soon come to  
grief—as they deserve. Now many persons  
are, nevertheless, afraid to buy certain  
advertisements lest they be humbugged  
and deluded; especially are they slow to place  
confidence in published statements of the  
merits of medicines. The remedy known as

WAMPOL'S PREPARATION  
is as safe and genuine an article to purchase  
as flour, silk or cotton goods from the mills of  
manufacturers with a world-wide reputation.  
We could not afford to exaggerate its qualities  
or misrepresent it in the least; and it is not  
necessary. It is palatable as honey and con-  
tains the nutritive and curative properties of  
Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh  
cod livers, combined with the Compound  
Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of  
Malt and Wild Cherry; and how valuable such  
a blending of these important medicinal agents  
must be plain to everybody. It is beyond  
price in Anemia, Insomnia, Weakness and lack  
of Nervous Tone, Poor Digestion, Wasting  
Diseases, La Grippe, Lung Troubles and Blood  
Impurities. Science can furnish nothing better  
—perhaps nothing so good. Dr. W. H. Dalife,  
of Canada, says: "I have used it in my practice  
and take pleasure in recommending it as a  
valuable tonic and reconstructive." It is a  
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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co

Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1909. [399]

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reduced to HALF A CENT per pound.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.,  
General Managers,  
HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1909. [392]

### NOTICE

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peans to pass in the Chinese examination, and  
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Chinese teacher.

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language are requested to write care of  
Hongkong Telegraph office or direct to 37,  
Hollywood Road, 2nd floor.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1909. [319]

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General Managers

Hongkong, 15th August, 1909. [396]

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1908. [399]

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On view on Thursday, the 1st April.

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Hongkong, 29th March, 1909. [393]

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ON

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BOWLS, VASES and PLATES, MOTHER-  
PEARL INLAID SCREENS, PANELS,

FROG SKIN HAND BAGS, KAGA and  
NAGOYA TEA SETS, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
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Hongkong, 27th March, 1909. [399]

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Hongkong, 20th June, 1904. [399]

Dr. M. H. CHAUN,

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OF THE

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Hongkong, 16th April, 1909. [399



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HONGKONG DISPENSARY

AND

KOWLOON DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1909.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1909.

HONGKONG-MANILA.

The reception accorded the U.S. Third Pacific Squadron in Hongkong has been the subject of graceful acknowledgment by Rear-Admiral Harber, commanding the Philippine Fleet. The hospitality which was extended to the American visitors appears to have been appreciated by our neighbours in Manila, for, in giving prominence to the entertainments held in Hongkong, the local *Times*, in a leaderette, observes:—The visit to Hongkong of the cruiser squadron under Rear-Admiral Harber has been another long step towards unity between Hongkong and Manila. The visiting troops were given a right royal welcome and during their stay have been very handsomely entertained. There were two notable functions in honour of Admiral Harber and his officers, the first at the Hongkong Club, participated in also by the officers of the French and Portuguese squadrons, and the second a dinner and reception at Government House. At the dinner at the Hongkong Club Sir Paul Chater was chairman and Mr. T. F. Hough vice-chairman, and among the guests were Sir Frederick Lugard, Admiral Sir Hedworth Lambton, and Admiral Perrin of the French Navy. There were many happy references to Manila and in the course of his address Governor Lugard referred to the recent visit to Manila of a number of residents of Hongkong, and thanked the Americans for their hospitality. He said there were many opportunities for the mutual and beneficial expansion of business between Hongkong and the Philippines, and pledged himself to its promotion. He also said that he hoped the relations between the two in both a business and social way would increase. The dinner at Government House was a very handsome entertainment. A large party dined and subsequently many more came for a reception and dance. On both occasions Rear-Admiral Harber was the chief guest and he gracefully expressed the thanks of his squadron and his country for the kindness of his hosts. It is highly satisfactory that relations between Hongkong and the Philippines have reached this very pleasant condition and for our part we should all strive for maintenance and improvement of them.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Danish salvage steamer *Protektor* is to make an attempt to raise the *Kolomo*.

A SCHEME is stated to be on foot for the establishment of a medical college in Peking. H.M.S. *Andromeda* left for England at noon to-day. The cruiser carried on board the time-expired crew of H.M.S. *Dodford*.

NORMAL telegraphic communication with Paris and the North of France is now re-established, the strike of telegraphists since 18th ult. being now ended.

THE Ministry of Education has given instructions to the Educational Commissioners in the provinces to direct their subordinates to establish schools to teach the people easy methods of reading characters, so as to ensure a wider spread of education. The Commissioners are also ordered to do their best to improve educational affairs.

THE Central Government deeply regrets the action of some Viceroy and Governors, who have been in the habit of misrepresenting for purposes of favouritism, the merits of magistrates, in reporting upon their administration. It has, therefore, decided to call them severely to task should any magistrate be found guilty of misconduct.

A NUMBER of Chinese merchants and Japanese friends of Mr. K. Sonoda treated that gentleman to a Chinese banquet on Tuesday last. Mr. Sonoda is a director of the Yokohama Specie Bank and has a seat also on the board of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha; he is also the proprietor of the 15th Bank in Tokio. Mr. Sonoda is en route to England.

As the Government has been informed that the Chinese students in Europe are being imbued with unorthodox principles, especially those studying in Germany and France, who are quite taken with violent tendencies, it has telegraphed to the Ministers accredited to those countries to give strict warning to the students and exhort them against harmful influences.

OWING to financial straits, many of the Viceroy and Governors have been asking permission to raise foreign loans, to permit the sale of official ranks, or create a Government opium monopoly in order to meet their wants. The President of the Ministry of Finance, Duke Tsai Tse, regards these propositions as fraught with evil and has decided never more to permit recourse to such means.

### VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

#### FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The fourth annual meeting of the Volunteer Reserve Association was held in the City Hall yesterday afternoon, Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., presiding.

Sir Henry Berkeley, the Chairman, said that he regretted that there had been a slight falling-off in the enrolled membership. He had on previous occasions suggested that the age limit of members should be reduced, but the authorities had not agreed, saying that it might possibly restrict the area of the Volunteers. That the association had no desire to do so. They were, in fact, part of the Volunteer Reserve Association and they had the welfare of the voluntary forces at heart. The speaker regretted still more the falling-off in the attendance at the range. Rifle shooting, like any other sport, needed constant practice, or a man got slack. The association had a special part in the defence scheme of the Colony, and he made an earnest appeal to those who were capable of attending at the ranges to do so. The Defence Committee suggested that each member should have a uniform, and to that suggestion the committee agreed if the Government would provide them—either in store or elsewhere. Another suggestion from the Defence Committee was that rifles should be provided and the committee of the Association replied that they gratefully received the suggestion (Applause). They had asked that members should either keep the rifles, with the usual safe-guards, as to preservation and care, or that the rifles be kept for them at Volunteer headquarters. One other suggestion, and one that he strongly recommended to members, was that those who had not been trained to drill, either in the Regular or Auxiliary forces, should undergo sufficient simple drill to enable them to take part with the other forces if ever called on. They could all understand the necessity of that. The time it would take to perfect themselves to form fours, advance and retire, would not mean many hours in the aggregate in the year. A circular letter on the subject had been sent to members, and the response had been favourable (Applause). At the last meeting he had announced that the Government had given a grant to pay the secretary. The conditions—reasonable conditions—were that the membership should be maintained, and the attendances at the ranges should not fall off. Those conditions had not been fulfilled and therefore the committee had not felt justified in approaching the Government for a further grant for the secretary. So they would have to elect an honorary secretary, and Dr. Evan Jones had come forward to take the post if elected (Applause).

The following officers were elected:—Chairman: Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C.; Committee: Hon. Mr. F. H. May, R. Barker, Capt. Branch, A. Denison, J. C. Gow, J. Hastings, A. Mackenzie and G. H. Wakeman; Hon. Secretary: Dr. Evan Jones. Sir Henry Berkeley thanked members for his re-election and humorously remarked that an injury to his right arm prevented him from shooting, and in his case it was not the spirit that was unwilling but the flesh that was weak.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber this afternoon. Present: His Excellency the Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard, K.C.M.G., Colonel Darling, Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Sir Henry Berkeley (Attorney-General), Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson (Colonial Treasurer), Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. F. J. Bodeley, (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving (Registrar General), Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, M.N., C.M.G., Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Hon. Mr. H. A. W. Slade, and Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Clerk of Council).

## MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

## FINANCE.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 2).

## FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 10 to 12. It was agreed that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

## VILLAGE RATES.

The Colonial Secretary in moving the following resolution said that fire hydrants have been fixed and fire appliances supplied to these tenements, and therefore the equal 1% increase has been imposed.

The resolution reads:—

Resolved by the Legislative Council that the percentage on the valuation of tenements payable as rates in the undermentioned places be altered from the 1st day of July, 1909, as follows:—

|                            |                    |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Tokwanan                   | From 9% to 9 1/2%  |
| Hok On                     | 10 1/2% to 11 1/2% |
| Taikokui                   | 10 1/2% to 11 1/2% |
| Lughom                     | 11 1/2% to 13%     |
| Tsimtsatui (Kowloon Point) | 12 1/2% to 13%     |
| Yau-mah                    | 12 1/2% to 13%     |
| Mongkoktsui                | 12 1/2% to 13%     |

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Carried unanimously.

## PUBLIC HEALTH AMENDMENT BILL.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

The motion was agreed to.

The statement of objects and reasons is as follows:—

The Bill proposes to effect certain further necessary amendments in the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

Clauses 2 and 3. These amendments are required consequent on the control of market buildings now by the Sanitary Department.

Clause 4. The words are inserted so as to clearly provide that the occupier as well as the owner is brought within the purview of the section.

Clause 5. This authorises the Building Authority to refuse further notices and plans in respect of buildings contemplated unless the original notices and plans lodged as required by the Ordinance are revoked by the person by whom or on whose behalf such notices and plans were given.

Clause 6. An apparent omission in section 78 of the Ordinance of last year renders an amendment of this section necessary.

Clause 8. This provides necessary authority to exclude bodies interred in authorised cemeteries or in any other cemetery or place.

## LIFE INSURANCE.

A Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the Life Insurance Companies Ordinance, 1907, was read a first time on the motion of the Attorney-General seconded by the Colonial Secretary.

This Bill proposes to effect certain amendments in The Life Insurance Companies Ordinance which was passed last year.

That Ordinance has received the careful consideration of the Actuarial Adviser of the Board of Trade and the amendments are based on his suggestions.

Section 6 provides a trust fund in respect of policies issued in the Colony and as it is considered undesirable to create preferential charges or deposits and also as no corresponding provision is contained in the Imperial Acts it is proposed to delete the section.

Section 9 sub-section (3) is regarded as unworkable or inoperative in practice and the amendment is considered preferable and practicable.

Section 14 provides a special test of solvency and various reasons are urged against it and (inter alia) that the "Actuaries" table is obsolete. The section is so amended as to leave it to the Court to determine in view of all the circumstances as to the solvency or insolvency of a Company.

## COMMISSIONS ROGATOIRE.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

The draft Ordinance prescribes a method of procedure with regard to the execution of Commissions Rogatoire.

## EVIDENCE ORDINANCE.

On the motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the Evidence Ordinance, 1899, was read a first time.

Section 40 of the principal Ordinance contains errors in form and description which this Bill proposes to rectify.

## WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1905.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Bill read a first time.

Section 2 of the Bill makes the following provision:—

"The Governor may from time to time make regulations as to the use of wireless telegraph

apparatus on merchant ships, whether British or Foreign, while in the territorial waters of the Colony and may by such regulations impose penalties for the breach thereof."

## ADJOURNMENT.

The Council adjourned until Thursday, the 7th inst.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately after the meeting of Council, the Colonial Secretary presiding. It was agreed to recommend that the following votes be adopted by the Council:—

## OPIUM DIVANS.

A sum of eleven thousand six hundred and thirteen dollars (\$11,613) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, compensation to licensees for opium divans.

The Colonial Treasurer asked whether the loss in the revenue of the Colony incurred as a direct result of the policy of the Imperial Government would be brought to the notice of the Home Government.

Hon. Mr. Hewitt:—I think the Colonial Treasurer has a perfect right to ask that question as affecting the Colony's interest at large. We must make the Home Government understand that a liberal compensation must be made as promised, and therefore, a preliminary protest should be made at once.

## PORT HEALTH OFFICER.

A sum of fifty dollars in aid of the vote, Medical Department, A—Staff, other charges, Health Officer of Port, boat's crew and messenger.

## OBSERVATORY.

A sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars in aid of the vote, Observatory, laboratory expenses for purchase of anemograph and chronograph.

This was all the business.

## ALLANA'S BANKRUPTCY.

## PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before the Chief Justice (Sir Francis Pigott) a public examination was held in connection with S. E. Allana's bankruptcy.

Questioned by Mr. G. H. Wakeman, Official Receiver, debtor said that after November, 1907, he started to drink and was not aware how much he spent. Asked as to the amount of money he had spent during the last two years, Allana said that he was ignorant of the matter and admitted that he was in the habit of frequenting disorderly houses, where he had spent a considerable amount of money.

By Mr. J. Scott Harston:—He did not know about his insolvency till only recently. He did not recollect having any interview with Mr. Pearce and denied making a deliberate false statement for \$3,000 worth of goods, that gentleman having continually solicited him for an order. He did not know that Moosa's Vieira was being financed by the National Bank of China but that he was being helped by Moosa's Vieira. He did not realise that he was guilty of extravagance of living at the time.

An application for adjudication was granted.

## CANTON DAY BY DAY.

## CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 30th March.

A number of shareholders have despatched a telegraphic complaint to H.E. Chang Chih Tung, Superintendent of the Canton-Hankow Railway, stating that the salaries of the Board of Directors of the Company have been increased to an extent which has evoked considerable opposition from the general public. The complaint states that the people cannot be held responsible for the payment of the excessive amount of salaries to the directors of the Company. Yesterday, H.E. Chang Chih Tung wired to the Viceroy asking him to make investigations into the matter with instructions to deal adequately with those members receiving high salaries from the Company.

## BURNING QUESTIONS.

For some time the attention of the native community in Canton has been directed to the two questions of the delimitation of Macao and that of the alleged occupation of the Tai Tung-sha island in Weichow by a number of Japanese. The representatives of the Heungshan district and the Weichow prefecture have jointly addressed the members of the Canton Self-Government Society on the above-mentioned matters. As a result of this public mass meeting has been arranged to take place on the 31st instant at 2 p.m.

## CANTON TARTAR GENERAL.

The newly-appointed Canton Tartar General Tsang Chi has wired from Hongkong to the Canton officials advising that he will come up to Canton on the 1st April next and that he will assume charge of office on the following day. On his arrival here the officials in this city will assemble at the Government Fien Tze Wharf to receive him.

## COAL MINE DISCOVERED.

A coal mine has been discovered in Pan Yu district in the Pang-kong hills covering an area of some twenty mou. This mine is said to be very rich. A merchant named Tam Tak Po has formed a company under the style of Chun Hing & Co. with a certain amount of capital to work the mine, and has petitioned the Taotai for the Development of Native Industries for permission to proceed with the work of development.

## EXTIRMINATION OF ROBBERY.

In the course of ten days the officials of Shui Hing prefecture were able to exterminate a large number of robbers and compel many others to surrender. To the extent of over four hundred, as officially reported to the Viceroy by the Taotai of Shui Hing. The Viceroy has highly commended the action of the officials in suppressing the large number of robbery and has promised to confer liberal rewards on them for their brave and worthy efforts.

## The Hongkong Observatory.

## MANILA-HONGKONG CO-OPERATION.

## MR. FIGG'S VISIT TO MANILA.

Before proceeding with the business at the Legislative Council meeting this afternoon, H.E. the Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard, made an interesting speech regarding the recent visit of Mr. F. C. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory, to Manila. His Excellency, in the course of a lengthy address, said that in September last, when the Estimates for the current year were reviewed, mention was made of a proposed comparison of the instruments with regard to typhoons, &c., in vogue here, with those obtaining in Manila, at Santo Domingo de Bato. It was also proposed to hire British ships cruising in naval waters round about the Colony as a means to warn the Colony against an approaching typhoon. On February 16, Mr. Figg visited the Manila Observatory, presided over by Father Algué, where he remained till February 23, and he was glad to say that Mr. Figg was received by Father Algué with the utmost courtesy and the entire institution placed at his disposal. His Excellency, after referring to the staff employed at the Manila Observatory, said that Father Algué agreed with Mr. Figg that the primary object with regard to the sending out of typhoon signals was to have as many out-stations as possible. In this connection, Father Algué promised to send extra observations if required, and Mr. Figg on his part promised to do the same whenever there was any necessity for them.

## GREAT BRITAIN AND WEI-HAI-WEI.

A correspondent recently wrote to the Secretary for Foreign Affairs drawing attention to a newspaper article in which complaint was made of the alleged neglect by Great Britain of Wei-hai-wei. It was pointed out that it was now nearly 11 years since the colony was proclaimed a British possession (there is no justifying such a term for a leased territory). Edit. L. and C. E., towards the development of which very little had been done. The fault, the article contended, rested entirely with Great Britain, and not with the place itself. The Protectorate was neglected by the Imperial authorities, and the uncertainty as to the future, practically stopped private enterprise from developing. The correspondent inquired whether there was any possibility of the Government making an endeavour in the near future to develop our interest at Wei-hai-wei.

The following reply has been received from the Colonial Office, to which department the matter was referred:—

Downing-street, Feb. 18, 1909.  
Sir,—I am directed by the Earl of Crewe to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Feb. 4, which has been referred to this department by the Foreign Office, drawing attention to a recent article in a newspaper on the subject of the alleged neglect by His Majesty's Government of Wei-hai-wei. Lord Crewe is unable to admit the justice of the criticism to which you refer, but he cannot undertake to discuss the question of policy which His Majesty's Government should pursue with regard to Wei-hai-wei. I am, &c.,

R. L. ANTHORUS.

## CURIOUS MALAY CUSTOMS.

PERMISSION TO CARRY WEAPONS AND TO FLY FLAGS.

Kuala Lumpur, March 21.

On August 31, 1880, a notice was issued by the Perak executive Government, requiring all natives carrying weapons into the jungle to take out a pass from their respective penguahs or mukims under pain of fine. On proceeding through a district other than that in which they obtained the pass, they must present themselves before either the penguah or police officer, and make a statement as to their intended movements. Whoever carries weapons, reads the notification, without having previously taken out a pass, will be prosecuted by the police, and, on conviction, will be severely punished. This law would appear to be still in force in Perak.

No flags will be permitted to be used on the mosques, or at religious or other festivals, except by the permission of the Government or its properly authorised officers, under penalty of fine and imprisonment. This was an order issued in January, 1881, and is still observed throughout the State.

With regard to damage done to public roads by stray cattle and elephants, it was ordered that the people of the mukim in which such damage occurred might be called upon by the penguah to repair it. This order was issued on February 13, 1889, but by a previous order, dated October 21, 1887, the penguahs were made responsible for all damage done by cattle to the Government roads in their respective mukims. This rule was subsequently repealed, and other regulations issued by which the owners of stray cattle themselves were made responsible for damage done.

Another law, passed in 1878, was to the effect that lights had to be carried at night. This was rendered necessary, it appears, in order to facilitate the means for the capture of burglars. There is no record whether this law has been repealed or not.

In 1880 an order was in force making it compulsory for Malays to plant cocoanuts. This law was repealed as late as 1897.

As a punishment for theft, whipping was introduced in 1886, and what is known as lion playing was prohibited by law in 1888. These orders were repealed in 1890—*Strait Times*.

Much concern is felt by the Prince Regent at the Russian action in Herbin, and his Highness has had confidential conferences with the Wang on necessary steps to be taken in opposition.

## OPIUM SMUGGLING AT SINGAPORE.

Before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council the case of Bruhn v. the King (on the prosecution of the Opium Farmer) was decided on 26th Feb. It was an appeal from a judgment of the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements of Dec. 19, 1900, dismissing an appeal by the appellant against his conviction by a police magistrate at Singapore for an offence under Section 73 of the Opium Ordinance, 1906, of that colony.

Lord Atkinson, in delivering their Lordships' judgment, said the section provided that if any ship was used for the importation, landing, removal, carriage, or conveyance of any opium or conveyance of any opium or chandu, contrary to the ordinance, the master, and owner should be liable to a fine not exceeding \$5,000. The appellant is the master of the steamship *Derwent*, a vessel belonging to the North-German Lloyd Company. Having sailed from Swatow on July 9, 1907, on a voyage to Singapore, she arrived on the 16th of that month. She was searched twice by the officers of the opium farm, on the 17th and 18th respectively, and on 18th thoroughly. On the second occasion, Sergeant Russell, one of the police officers, found 125 lbs. (about 56 kds) of "chandu" carefully concealed in one of the life-boats, underneath the seat plank of the boat. It was necessary to uncrew the boat to discover the chandu. The quantity found was largely in excess of the maximum quantity mentioned in Section 73. It amounted to about 27 lbs. in weight. The appellant offered \$3,000 and costs for the infringement of the ordinance. The appellant and his counsel were the only witnesses examined for the defence. They both proved that the strict rule of the company was that their ships should be searched after leaving one of these Eastern ports; that they had searched the ship and the lifeboat in which the chandu was subsequently discovered after leaving Swatow, though without taking up the seat plank, but found nothing, and that the crew knew it was forbidden to take opium on board. It was conceded that neither the owners nor these witnesses were themselves aware of the chandu having been hidden in the lifeboat, but beyond their testimony no proof whatever was given that none of the officers, their servants, or the crew or the persons employed on board, other than the two witnesses, were not aware of, or privy to, the concealment of the chandu or were not implicated in the alleged use of the ship for importing it into Singapore. The question for decision was whether the conviction was valid in law. Their Lordships thought it was. The first matter to be determined was what were the necessary elements of the offence created by Section 73. If the master knowingly permitted his ship to be "used" for a certain purpose, he was undoubtedly "implicated" in that project. But that was the precise fact which must be negatived, if the *prima facie* proof was to be met. He must show that none of the officers, including, of course, himself, were implicated in it in any way. An examination of some of the earlier provisions of the ordinance, designed as it evidently was, at once to check the use of opium and to forward the interest of the revenue by securing to the opium farmer the profits of the monopoly granted him, showed clearly that the "mening" and object of Section 73 were to make the owner and master responsible for the importation prohibited by the ordinance, and to throw upon them the burden of exculpating themselves in the manner prescribed. Without some such provision as that evasion of the ordinance would be easy and the importation of chandu could not be effectively checked. The other point relied upon on behalf of the appellant was that there should be proof, express or implied, of a *mens rea* in the accused person before he could be convicted of a criminal offence. But that depended upon the terms of the statute or ordinance creating the offence. In many cases connected with the revenue certain things were prohibited unless done by certain persons or under certain conditions. Unless the person who did one of those things could establish that he was one of the privileged class, or that the prescribed conditions had been fulfilled, he would be adjudged guilty of the offence, though in fact he knew nothing of the prohibition. By this ordinance every person other than the opium farmer was prohibited from importing or exporting chandu. If any person did so he *prima facie* committed a crime. Some criticism was directed to the expression used by the magistrate that he "had no option but to convict the accused." What it appeared to their Lordships he must have meant was that, since what the ordinance deemed *prima facie* evidence of the crime was not rebutted or explained, he felt himself bound to act upon it. And so, that opinion their Lordships were disposed to concur. Their Lordships would therefore humbly advise His Majesty that this appeal should be dismissed. The appellant would pay the costs of it.

## HONGKONG UNIVERSITY SCHEME.

## FIFTH SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

The total of Chinese subscriptions towards the University endowment and equipment fund now amounts to \$97,100. Yesterday's contributions were as follows:—

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| Already acknowledged | \$4,000  |
| Leung Yan-po         | 500      |
| Wai Loong Bank       | 500      |
| Tak Cheong (tailor)  | 100      |
| Wong Kam Pak         | 500      |
| Wong Po-chuen        | 500      |
| Tong Lal-chuen       | 500      |
| Total                | \$97,100 |

On the removal of Emperor Tai Tsung coffin on May 1, for temporary interment, the Regent will attend the funeral procession to the Gates of the Royal Palace. It is the Emperor will not attend. It is official announcement that the Regent will attend the funeral procession.







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| TIENSIN VIA CHEFOO                 | "CHEUNGSHING" | SUNDAY, 4th April, Daylight. |      |
| MANILA                             | "YUENSANG"    | FRIDAY, 9th April, 4 P.M.    |      |
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" Leg—Young Pal 10

" Shoulder—Young Shau 10

" Pig's Chilling—Chi Cheong 10

" Brains—Chi Kook 10

" Feet—Chi Kook 10

" Fry—Chi Chai 10

" Head—Chi Tan 10

" Heart—Chi Sum 10

" Kidneys—Chi Yin 10

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## COMMERCIAL.

## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

| Selling.                               |         |
|----------------------------------------|---------|
| London—Bank T.T.                       | 181     |
| Do. demand                             | 18 3/16 |
| Do. 4 months sight                     | 18 1/16 |
| France—Bank T.T.                       | 217     |
| Germany—Bank T.T.                      | 217     |
| India T.T.                             | 194     |
| Do. demand                             | 19 1/16 |
| Shanghai—Bank T.T.                     | 741     |
| Singapore—Bank T.T. per H.K. 100       | 741     |
| Japan—Bank T.T.                        | 84      |
| Java—Bank T.T.                         | 104     |
| Buying.                                |         |
| 4 months sight L/O.                    | 19 1/16 |
| 6 months sight L/O.                    | 19 3/16 |
| 3 days sight San Francisco & New York. | 416     |
| 4 months sight do.                     | 441     |
| 30 days sight Sydney & Melbourne.      | 222     |
| 4 months sight France.                 | 222     |
| 6 months sight do.                     | 224     |
| 4 months sight Germany.                | 213     |
| Bar Silver.                            | 23 1/16 |
| Bank of England rate.                  | 3 1/2   |
| Sovereign.                             | 11 1/2  |

## SHIPPING AND MAILS.

## MAILS DUE.

German (Bauhin) 8th inst.  
India (Namsang) 15th inst.  
Canadian (Empress of China) 16th inst.

The H. A. L. s.s. *Myria* left Shanghai on 31st ult., and may be expected here on 3rd inst.  
The N. G. I. s.s. *Ischia* left Singapore for this port yesterday, and may be expected here on 7th inst.

The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Namsang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 30th ult., and may be expected here on 15th inst.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 1st at 11:55 A.M. the barometer has risen considerably over the N.E. coast of China, and moderately in E. Japan.

The depression lying over N. China yesterday, has apparently moved Eastwards across Manchuria.

Pressure is high over N. China and N.E. Japan.

Fresh N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.05 inches.

## FORECAST.

- 1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, some rain.
- 2.—Formosa Channel, same as No. 1.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook, same as No. 1.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

## Shipping.

## Arrivals.

Haichi, Chi, cruiser, 3407, Sheo, 31st Mar., from Shanghai.

Haiyung, Chi, cruiser, 3400, Sin, 31st Mar., from Shanghai.

Teintan, Ger. s.s., 1,002, Fr. Bücking, 31st Mar., from Bangkok 22nd Mar., Rice—B. & S.

Hakata Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,820, T. Murai, 1st April, from Singapore 26th Mar., Milk, Lead, Tea, Paint and Yarn, &c.—N. Y. K.

Peking, Swed. s.s., 2,217, G. Pettersson, 1st April, from Singapore 26th Mar., Gen.—M. & Co.

Kiang Ping, Chi. s.s., 1,722, Uddin, 1st April, from Chinkiang 27th Mar., Gen.—Chiao.

Huangyang, Br. s.s., 1,354, S. Wilde, 1st April, from Shanghai 16th Mar., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Wakamiya Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,731, T. Yamawaki, 1st April, from Singapore 24th Mar., Twine, Onions and Gen.—N. Y. K.

Mathilde, Ger. s.s., 831, A. P. Ulderup, 1st April, from Haiphong and Hoihow 31st Mar., Rice and Pigs—J. & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Nicomedia, for Shanghai.

Bombon, for Saigon.

Peking, for Shanghai.

Huangyang, for Canton.

Kiang Ping, for Canton.

Teintan, for Kuchinotzu.

Haichi, for Shanghai.

Haiyung, for Saigon.

Triumph, for Haiphong.

Divanka, for Shanghai.

Ariake Maru, for Kuchinotzu.

Glenallick, for Amoy.

Chongyang, for Swatow.

Cyclops, for Canton.

Per Prince Eitel Friedrich, 5th May.—Messrs. A. C. Lutz, E. Seymour, D. Macfarlane, H. Engster, and Miss M. Macfarlane.

Per *Litawa*, 10th May.—Lieut. Schurvel, and Miss L. Emde.

## Shipping Reports.

Sic. *Tintan*, from Bangkok.—Strong N.E. monsoon during voyage.

Sic. *Kiang Ping*, from Chinkiang.—Variable overcast and rainy weather, wind moderate N.E. by.

## VESSELS IN PORT.

Amara, Br. s.s., 1,565, Mattock, 22nd Mar., Hongkong 20th Mar., Coal.—M. & K.

Amigo, Ger. s.s., 822, H. Frandsen, 31st Mar., Tourane and Hoihow 29th Mar., Gen.—J. & Co.

Aoghin, Ger. s.s., 1,001, C. Kumpel, 29th Mar., Bangkok 18th Mar., Rice—B. & S.

Binh Thuan, Fr. s.s., 984, Ribault-Lagrange, 30th Mar., Saigon 24th Mar., Paddy and Rice—B. & S.

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 2,168, F. Sembill, 28th Mar., Sandakan 22nd Mar., Logs—M. & Co.

Bojun Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,304, F. Fuseno, 31st Mar., Swatow 30th Mar., Gen.—O. S. K.

Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 774, J. Kayser, 31st Mar., Haiphong and Hoihow 29th Mar., Gen.—J. & Co.

Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 899, Y. Kaburaki, 31st Mar., Swatow 30th Mar., Gen.—O. S. K.

Devanagere, Ger. s.s., 1,055, F. Rehwalder, 30th Mar., Bangkok 18th Mar., Rice—B. & S.

Empress of Japan, Br. s.s., 1,039, H. Pybus, R.N.R., 19th Mar., Vancouver 14th Feb., and Shanghai 16th Mar., Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Erroll, Br. s.s., 2,889, L. James, 28th Feb., Bangkok 21st Feb., Ballast.—D. & Co. Ltd.

Glenfarg, Br. s.s., 2,350, H. R. L. Holman, 22nd Mar., Shanghai 19th Mar., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Gloria, Am. s.s., 1,400, Reiges, 30th Mar., Manila 27th Mar., Iron—Barker & Co.

Haitan, Br. s.s., 1,183, J. S. Roach, 31st Mar., Swatow 30th Mar., Gen.—D. & Co.

Horat, Ger. s.s., 2,711, J. Jensen, 31st Mar., Swatow 30th Mar., Gen.—J. & Co.

Kelat, Ger. s.s., 1,210, W. Schmidt, 28th Mar., Bangkok 18th Mar., and Kuchichang 19th Mar., Gen.—B. & S.

Laertes, Br. s.s., 1,340, D. O. H. Frampton, 29th Mar., Saigon 24th Mar., Rice, Meal and Gen.—Wol-Fat Sing.

Lainang, Br. s.s., 2,224, F. Wheeler, 30th Mar., Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 23rd Mar., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Loongang, Br. s.s., 1,099, S. J. Payne, 30th Mar., Manila 27th Mar., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Lotian, Br. s.s., 3,222, W. J. Lockhart, 16th Mar., Singapore 10th Mar., Gen.—D. & Co. Ltd.

Mandal, Nor. s.s., 1,194, Erickson, 28th Mar., Saigon 21st Mar., Rice.—Aagaard, Thorsen & Co.

Mandarin Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,246, K. Shimidzu, 29th Mar., Kuchichang 24th Mar., Coal.—M. & K.

Montrose, Br. s.s., 1,208, R. Glegg, 27th Mar., Moji 23rd Mar., Coal.—D. & Co. Ltd.

Paklat, Ger. s.s., 1,018, Wezel, 27th Mar., Bangkok 17th Mar., and Kuchichang 19th Mar., Gen.—B. & S.

Rubi, Br. s.s., 1,619, R. W. Almond, 20th Mar., Manila 17th Mar., Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Stettin, Br. s.s., 1,166, C. Sangster, 18th Mar., Fochow 17th Mar., Kerorine.—Mr. Geo. McHain.

Tonyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 7,265, E. Bent, 23rd Mar., San Francisco 20th Feb., Honolulu 5th Mar., Yokohama 17th, Kobe 18th, and Nagasaki 20th, Gen.—T. K. K.

Tijmali, Dut. s.s., 6,508, J. N. Boumann, 31st Mar., Amoy 29th Mar., Gen.—J. C. J. L. Wakamatsu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,722, M. Sikawa, 30th Mar., Moji 23rd Mar., Coal.—M. & B. K.

## SAILING VESSELS.

Lyndhurst, Br. bark, Parnell, 14th Sept.—Bangkok 25th Aug., Case Oil.—S. O. Co.

## Steamers Expected.

Japan ... Singapore ... D. S. & Co. April 2

Manila ... M. & Co. April 2

Singapore ... M. & Co. April 2

Shanghai ... M. & Co. April 3

Tango Maru ... N. Y. K. April 4

Chongchua ... M. & Co. April 4

Tijmali ... N. Y. K. April 5

Asuta Maru ... N. Y. K. April 5

Arratoon A. Car. Moji ... D. S. & Co. April 6

Liowong ... J. O. J. L. April 6

Korea ... P. M. Co. April 7

Ischia ... C. & Co. April 7

Baelow ... M. & Co. April 8

Namsang ... M. & Co. April 15

Emp. of China ... P. R. Co. April 16

Kagehima M. ... N. Y. K. April 16

## DOCK RETURNS.

## HONGKONG AND WHARF DOCK.

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Shunlee ... " " "

Tarlat ... " " "

H.M.S. Merlie ... " " "

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Wellington and Tientsin—Per *Hutchinson*, 10th April, 5 P.M.

Shanghai—Per *Changika*, 10th April, 5 P.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver (B.C.)—Per *Empress of Japan*, 10th April, 6 A.M.

Cebu and Iloilo—Per *Kailash*, 12th April, 3 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per *Lakshmi*, 12th April, 5 P.M.

Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle—Per *Tango Maru*, 13th April, 10 A.M.

Europe, India, via Tientsin—Per *Caledonia*, 13th April, 11 A.M.

Manila, Penang, Singapore, 13th April, 5 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per *Hitcham*, 13th April, 5 P.M.

Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per *Yasuni*, 14th April, 11 A.M.

Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya—Per *Typhoon*, 15th April, 11 A.M.

Shanghai, Penang, 15th April, 5 P.M.

Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Dunedin, Perth and Fremantle—Per *Prins Willem*, 16th April, 5 P.M.

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## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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| STOCKS.                                                                | NO. OF SHARES. | VALUE.   | PAID UP. | POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.                                            | AT WORKING ACCOUNT. | LAST DIVIDEND.                                                                               | APPROXIMATE RETURN AT QUOTATION, BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV. | CLOSING QUOTATIONS.                     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>BANKS.</b>                                                          |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation                                | 120,000        | \$125    | \$125    | { \$1,500,000<br>\$14,500,000<br>\$150,000 }                            | \$2,006,251         | { Final of 2s and bonus of 5/- for 1908 @<br>ex 1/8 = \$25.024 }                             | 5 1/2 %                                                    | { 10 1/2 sellers<br>London 8 1/2 }      |
| National Bank of China, Limited                                        | 99,925         | £7       | £6       | { £4,000<br>£150,000 }                                                  | \$10,223            | 2s (London 3/6) for 1903                                                                     | ...                                                        | \$5 1/2                                 |
| <b>MARINE INSURANCES.</b>                                              |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| Canton Insurance Office, Limited                                       | 10,000         | \$250    | \$50     | { \$1,500,000<br>\$234,757<br>\$411,950<br>\$185,000 }                  | none                | \$14 for 1907                                                                                | 7 1/2 %                                                    | \$18 1/2                                |
| North China Insurance Company, Limited                                 | 10,000         | £15      | £5       | { Tls. 150,000<br>Tls. 309,747<br>Tls. 118,277<br>\$8,000,000 }         | Tls. 160,512        | Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1907                                                            | 5 1/2 %                                                    | Tls. 100 buyers                         |
| Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited                             | 12,400         | \$250    | \$100    | { \$500,000<br>\$502,478<br>\$100,000<br>\$727,640 }                    | \$2,506,011         | { Final of 1s making 5s for 1906 and<br>interim of 3s for 1907 }                             | 5 1/2 %                                                    | \$850 sales                             |
| Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited                                 | 12,000         | \$100    | \$50     | { \$1,000,000<br>\$100,032<br>\$55,157 }                                | \$592,769           | \$12 and bonus 3s for 1906                                                                   | 7 %                                                        | \$225 buyers                            |
| <b>FIRE INSURANCES.</b>                                                |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| China Fire Insurance Company, Limited                                  | 10,000         | \$100    | \$20     | { \$1,000,000<br>\$18,818<br>\$13,802 }                                 | \$375,541           | \$6 and bonus 2s for 1907                                                                    | 7 1/2 %                                                    | \$100 sellers                           |
| Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited                               | 8,000          | \$250    | \$50     | { \$1,000,000<br>\$1,438,773 }                                          | \$568,711           | \$27 for 1907                                                                                | 8 1/2 %                                                    | \$315 buyers                            |
| <b>SHIPPING.</b>                                                       |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited                            | 30,000         | \$25     | \$25     | { \$7,000<br>\$254,038 }                                                | \$1,015             | \$1 for 1906                                                                                 | ...                                                        | \$8 sellers                             |
| Douglas Steamship Company, Limited                                     | 20,000         | \$50     | \$50     | { \$500,000<br>\$500,000 }                                              | Nil.                | \$2 1/2 for year ending 30.4.1908                                                            | 7 1/2 %                                                    | \$55 buyers                             |
| Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.                           | 80,000         | \$15     | \$15     | { \$207,500<br>\$179,421<br>\$151,344<br>\$100,000 }                    | \$10,279            | Final of 1s 1/2 making 3s 1/2 for 1908                                                       | 8 1/2 %                                                    | \$201 sales                             |
| Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)                      | 60,000         | £5       | £5       | { £240,000 }                                                            | £13,755             | { 6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @<br>ex 1/10 11/15 = 5s. 15d. }                     | 5 1/2 %                                                    | { \$40 buyers<br>\$20 buyers }          |
| Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited                              | 200,000        | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50  | { Tls. 75,000<br>Tls. 750,000 }                                         | Tls. 14,510         | Final of Tls. 1 1/2 making Tls. 3 1/2 for 1908                                               | 7 1/2 %                                                    | { Tls. 50 buyers<br>Tls. 5 1/2 buyers } |
| "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited                         | 1,000,000      | £1       | £1       | { £100,000<br>£100,000 }                                                | £61,817             | Second interim of 1/- for a/c 1908                                                           | ...                                                        | \$4 1/2 buyers                          |
| "Star" Ferry Company, Limited                                          | 10,000         | \$10     | \$5      | { \$47,221<br>Tls. 58,000<br>Tls. 48,479<br>Tls. 44,100<br>Tls. 8,000 } | \$98                | { \$1.00 for year ending 30.4.1908<br>\$0.50 }                                               | { 4 1/2 %<br>3 1/2 % }                                     | { \$23 1/2<br>\$15 }                    |
| Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited                                  | 30,000         | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50  | { Tls. 58,000<br>Tls. 48,479<br>Tls. 44,100<br>Tls. 8,000 }             | Tls. 5,215          | Final of Tls. 1 1/2 making Tls. 2 1/2 for 1908                                               | 11 %                                                       | Tls. 45 sales                           |
| <b>REFINERIES.</b>                                                     |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| China Sugar Refining Company, Limited                                  | 20,000         | \$100    | \$100    | { \$350,000<br>\$56,848 }                                               | Dr. \$5,158         | \$5 for year ending 31.12.08                                                                 | 3 1/2 %                                                    | \$137 1/2 buyers                        |
| Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited                                  | 7,000          | \$100    | \$100    | { none<br>Tls. 100,000 }                                                | Dr. \$13,819        | 5/- for 1907                                                                                 | ...                                                        | 17 1/2                                  |
| Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited                               | 7,000          | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50  | { Tls. 100,000 }                                                        | Tls. 9,773          | Tls. 3 1/2 for year ending 31.8.08                                                           | ...                                                        | Tls. 127 1/2 sales                      |
| <b>MINING.</b>                                                         |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.                           | 1,000,000      | £1       | £1       | { £175,000<br>£12,289 }                                                 | £11,556             | { Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 12) for year end-<br>ing 29.2.08 }                                | 7 %                                                        | Tls. 18 1/2 buyers                      |
| Ruby Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited                           | 150,000        | £1       | £1       | { £4,891 }                                                              | Dr. £2,191          | No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents                                                                     | ...                                                        | \$8 1/2 sellers                         |
| <b>DOCKS, WHARVES &amp; GODOWNS.</b>                                   |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited                                          | 18,000         | \$25     | \$25     | { \$48,000 }                                                            | Dr. \$7,421         | \$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06                                                              | ...                                                        | \$12                                    |
| Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.                          | 60,000         | \$50     | \$50     | { \$50,000<br>\$25,806<br>\$40,000 }                                    | \$20,102            | Final of 1s 1/2 making 3s 1/2 for 1907                                                       | ...                                                        | \$49 1/2 buyers                         |
| Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.                                | 50,000         | \$50     | \$50     | { \$71,191<br>\$200,000 }                                               | \$387,078           | Final of \$4 making \$8 for 1908                                                             | 10 %                                                       | 180 buyers                              |
| Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.                                | 55,700         | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | { Tls. 1,000,000 }                                                      | Tls. 33,742         | { Interim of Tls. 2 1/2 for 6 months ending<br>31st October, 1908 }                          | 5 1/2 %                                                    | Tls. 86                                 |
| Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited                           | 35,000         | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | { Tls. 697,257<br>Tls. 50,000<br>Tls. 125,000 }                         | Tls. 22,816         | Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908                                                      | 6 %                                                        | Tls. 165 sellers                        |
| <b>LANDS, HOTELS &amp; BUILDINGS.</b>                                  |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.                                 | 25,000         | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | { Tls. 25,000 }                                                         | Tls. 6,531          | Tls. 6 for 1907                                                                              | ...                                                        | Tls. 103 buyers                         |
| Antar House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)                          | 30,000         | \$25     | \$25     | { \$75,000 }                                                            | Dr. \$1,300         | \$2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.07                                                              | ...                                                        | \$109 buyers                            |
| Central Stores, Limited                                                | 50,493         | \$15     | \$15     | { \$757,075 }                                                           | \$1,541             | \$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new issue.                                               | ...                                                        | \$18 sales                              |
| Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited                                        | 12,000         | \$50     | \$50     | { \$213,912 }                                                           | \$95                | Final of 1s making 3s for 1908                                                               | 7 %                                                        | \$84 sellers                            |
| Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.                          | 50,000         | \$100    | \$100    | { \$350,000 }                                                           | \$26,475            | Final of 5s 1/2 making 7s for 1908                                                           | 7 1/2 %                                                    | \$100                                   |
| Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited                            | 150,000        | \$10     | \$10     | { \$11,172 }                                                            | \$5,86              | 60 cents for 1908                                                                            | 7 %                                                        | \$84                                    |
| Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited                             | 6,000          | \$50     | \$50     | { none }                                                                | \$278               | \$1 1/2 for 1908                                                                             | 5 %                                                        | \$30                                    |
| Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited                              | 78,000         | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50  | { Tls. 1,433,045<br>Tls. 31,000 }                                       | Tls. 142,404        | { Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making<br>Tls. 5 for 1908 }                            | 7 %                                                        | Tls. 117 1/2 buyers                     |
| West Point Building Company, Limited                                   | 12,500         | \$50     | \$50     | { none }                                                                | \$1,968             | Final of 2s making 4s for 1908                                                               | 9 %                                                        | Tls. 144 sellers                        |
| <b>COTTON MILLS.</b>                                                   |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.                          | 15,000         | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50  | { Tls. 150,000 }                                                        | Tls. 8,820          | Tls. 5 for year ending 31.10.1908                                                            | 4 1/2 %                                                    | Tls. 115 buyers                         |
| Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Company, Limited            | 125,000        | \$10     | \$10     | { Tls. 45,919<br>\$20,000 }                                             | \$6,553             | 50 cents for year ending 31.7.08                                                             | 5 1/2 %                                                    | \$9 sellers                             |
| International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.                       | 10,000         | Tls. 75  | Tls. 75  | { Tls. 175,000 }                                                        | Tls. 8,372          | Tls. 6 for year ending 30.9.08 (8 %)                                                         | ...                                                        | Tls. 90 buyers                          |
| Leoy-heng-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.                      | 8,000          | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | { none }                                                                | Tls. 4,729          | Tls. 4 for 1908                                                                              | ...                                                        | Tls. 103 buyers                         |
| Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited                              | 2,000          | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50  | { Tls. 31,172 }                                                         | Tls. 15,911         | Tls. 50 for 1908                                                                             | ...                                                        | Tls. 385 buyers                         |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>                                                  |                |          |          |                                                                         |                     |                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |
| Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited                                | 8,004          | 12 1/2   | 12 1/2   | { \$1,500 }                                                             | £648                | 1/200 par share on 1907 = \$1.037                                                            | 10 %                                                       | \$10 sales                              |
| China-Borneo Company, Limited                                          | 60,000         | \$12     | \$12     | { \$75,000 }                                                            | Nil.                | \$1.20 for 1907                                                                              | 9 1/2 %                                                    | \$12 1/2 sellers                        |
| China Light and Power Company, Limited                                 | 150,000        | \$10     | \$10     | { none }                                                                | \$61,138            | 60 cents for year ending 31.2.06                                                             | ...                                                        | \$5                                     |
| China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.                          | 125,000        | \$10     | \$10     | { \$10,000 }                                                            | \$3,407             | 80 cents for 1908                                                                            | ...                                                        | \$9 1/2 buyers                          |
| Dairy Farm Company, Limited                                            | 40,000         | \$7 1/2  | \$6      | { \$30,000 }                                                            | \$48                | \$1.30 for year ending 31.7.08                                                               | 5 1/2 %                                                    | \$14 1/2 buyers                         |
| Green Island Cement Company, Limited                                   | 400,000        | \$10     | \$10     | { \$12,000 }                                                            | \$5,078             | Interim of 40 cents for account 1908                                                         | 8 1/2 %                                                    | \$9.40 sellers                          |
| H. Price & Company, Limited                                            | 12,000         | \$10     | \$10     | { \$5,000 }                                                             | \$5,251             | 75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07                                                        | 8 %                                                        | \$12                                    |
| Hall & Holt, Limited                                                   | 21,000         | \$20     | \$20     | { \$186,000 }                                                           | \$8,957             | \$2 for year ending 28.2.08                                                                  | 10 %                                                       | \$24 sales                              |
| Hongkong Electric Company, Limited                                     | 60,000         | \$10     | \$10     | { none }                                                                | \$9,321             | \$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08                                                | 6 1/2 %                                                    | \$19 buyers                             |
| Hongkong Ice Company, Limited                                          | 5,000          | \$25     | \$25     | { \$150,000 }                                                           | \$7,616             | Final of \$15 per share making 5s for 1908                                                   | 9 1/2 %                                                    | \$24                                    |
| Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.                              | 60,000         | \$10     | \$10     | { \$20,000 }                                                            | \$8,50              | Final of \$1 per share making 3s for 1908                                                    | 8 1/2 %                                                    | \$24                                    |
| Maatschappij tot Mijn- en Landbouw-<br>exploitatie in Langkat, Limited | 25,000         | Gs. 100  | Gs. 100  | { Tls. 147,500<br>Tls. 65,141 }                                         | Tls. 16,682         | { 1st Quarterly div. of Tls. 12 1/2 for account<br>1909 }                                    | 6 1/2 %                                                    | Tls. 78 1/2 buyers                      |
| Park Tramways Company, Limited                                         | 25,000         | \$10     | \$10     | { \$5,000 }                                                             | \$7,471             | { 80 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on<br>81 paid shares for year ending 25.4.08 }   | 6 %                                                        | \$14                                    |
| Philippine Company, Limited                                            | 75,000         | \$10     | \$10     | { none }                                                                | Pa. 18,640          | None                                                                                         | 4 %                                                        | \$8                                     |
| Shanghai Gas Company, Limited                                          | 24,000         | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50  | { Tls. 100,000 }                                                        | Tls. 6,603          | Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 1/2 for 1907                                                   | 6 1/2 %                                                    | Tls. 115 buyers                         |
| Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited                              | 30,000         | Tls. 20  | Tls. 20  | { Tls. 24,820<br>Tls. 75,000 }                                          | Tls. 8,491          | Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907                                               | 12 %                                                       | Tls. 130 sales                          |
| Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited                                   | 16,150         | £20      | £20      | { Tls. 190,000 }                                                        | Tls. 5,332          | Final of 17/6 making 5s 1/6 for 1907                                                         | ...                                                        | Tls. 437 1/2 sales                      |
| South China Morning Post, Limited                                      | 6,000          | \$25     | \$25     | { none }                                                                | Dr. \$56,602        | None                                                                                         | ...                                                        | \$24                                    |
| Steam Laundry Company, Limited                                         | 20,000         | \$5      | \$5      | { none }                                                                | \$230               | Interim of 40 cents for year ending 31.5.08                                                  | 7 1/2 %                                                    | \$31 sales                              |
| Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited                                   | 2,000          | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | { Tls. 15,195 }                                                         | Tls. 201            | Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 30.4.07                                                           | 5 %                                                        | Tls. 64 buyers                          |
| United Waterboat Company, Limited                                      | 50,000         | \$10     | \$10     | { Tls. 4,000 }                                                          | \$173               | 60 cents for year ending 31.12.07                                                            | ...                                                        | \$10 sales                              |
| United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited                               | 10,000         | \$10     | \$10     | { \$15,000 }                                                            | \$1,350             | { 80 cents on 9,000 ord. shares and \$10.80 on<br>100 Founders shares for yr. end. 31.5.07 } | 6 1/2 %                                                    | \$13 buyers                             |
| Watson (A. S.) & Co., Limited                                          | 90,000         | \$10     | \$10     | { \$300,000 }                                                           | \$6,438             | Interim of 30 cts. a/c 1908                                                                  | 6 1/2 %                                                    | \$9 buyers                              |
| William Powell, Limited                                                | 15,000         | \$7      | \$7      | { \$25,000 }                                                            | \$2,95              | Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the<br>year ended 30th June, 1906                        | ...                                                        | \$2 1/2 buyers                          |

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